CUSTOMER NO. 23644

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| IN RE THE APPLICATION OF Galen Gareis |) Examiner: William H. Mayo, III |
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| FOR: High Performance Data Cable |) |
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE FILED IN CONNECTION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION

- [x] AUTHORIZATION TO PAY AND PETITION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF ANY NECESSARY FEES. If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following Communication (including but not limited to the payment of Issue Fees), they may be paid out of our deposit account 12-0913. If this payment also requires a Petition, please construe this authorization to pay as the necessary Petition which is required to accompany this payment.
- [x] Applicant hereby petitions for a **three-month** extension and entry of this Amendment which is sent within the third month after the due date of August 5, 2004. The payment of \$980.00 to cover the three-month extension is enclosed herewith.

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The present communication responds to the Final Office Action mailed May 5, 2004. The present response is accompanied by a Request for Continuing Examination. The present response is also accompanied by the appropriate three-month extension fee.

Prior to the present communication, claims 14, 16, 17 and 25 stand rejected as obvious. The remaining claims were previously canceled. The present communication amends claim 14 and cancels claim 25.

The amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

No amendments have been made to the specification.

No amendments have been made to the drawings.

The remarks begin on page 5.